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High Risk Infant Follow-up
Program Letter (P.L.): 03-0606

TO: MEDICAL DIRECTORS OF CALIFORNIA CHILDREN'S SERVICES
(CCS) PROGRAM - APPROVED NEONATAL INTENSIVE CARE UNITS
(NICU)

SUBJECT: HIGH RISK INFANT FOLLOW-UP (HRIF) PROGRAM - REQUIRED
REPORT FORMS

Starting July 1, 2006, CCS requires two report forms to be completed for infants and children enrolled July 1, 2006 and thereafter in a HRIF Program. The *Registration Client Identification Face Sheet* (Enclosure) must be collected the first time an HRIF Program client is seen. The HRIF Program is available to infants who meet CCS HRIF medical eligibility criteria and who either met CCS medical eligibility criteria for NICU care or had a CCS eligible medical condition at some time during their stay in a CCS approved NICU, even if they had never been a CCS client. This form is being used to gather information about the child, more specifically: HRIF Program registration information, medical eligibility criteria for CCS HRIF Program, and the child's living situation.

This form is to be completed for clients registered as new HRIF clients starting July 1, 2006 and thereafter. HRIF Programs do not need to submit this form for infants/children currently seen in the HRIF Program prior to July 1, 2006.

The *Health and Developmental Status Report* (Enclosure) is to be used on HRIF clients enrolled July 1, 2006 and thereafter in a HRIF Program. This form documents both the health and development status of the child during his or her initial assessment, routine follow-up visits, and the final follow-up assessment. The *Health and Developmental Status Report* should be completed after the performance of the initial and subsequent comprehensive history and physical exam and developmental assessments which are usually performed at birth to six months, 9 to 12 months, and 18 to 36 months of age, and more frequently if determined to be necessary. To complete the *Health and*

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Developmental Status Report, you may need to review patient specific hospital records or outpatient clinical records to answer some of the items.

As a reminder, effective July 1, 2006, both forms should be submitted for the first visit of a HRIF client. You will find these forms with their instructions on the CCS website, www.dhs.ca.gov/pcfh/cms/hrif. You will be able to fill these forms directly on line, print them out and fax them to the HRIF toll-free number at (866) 418-2933. You must retain these forms for complete medical records and identification purposes.

If you have any questions regarding the forms, contact either Kimie Kagawa, M.D., at (916) 327-2665 or Rachel Luxemberg, M.A., at (916) 327-1443. If you have any questions regarding HRIF Program services, please contact your designated State CMS Regional Office Staff.

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Enclosures